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In re Application of: : F. Lopez  
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

Please amend this application as follows:

**Amendments to the specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the claims** begin on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 6 of this paper.